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Dear Mr. Nash:

This letter is in response to your request made under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). We received your request in this office on November 6, 2012 and assigned to it tracking number DOC-CEN-2013-000124. According to our records, you requested the following:

Census Bureau Disclosure Review Board meeting minutes containing data products reviewed by the board between 2005 and 2011.

Enclosed is a CD-ROM that contains the documents responsive to your request with withholding determinations noted. We withheld portions of the documents pursuant to Exemption (b)(6) and Exemption (b)(5) of the FOIA. Exemption (b)(5) of the FOIA allows for the "withholding of documents which are predecisional and deliberative in nature." Exemption (b)(6) of the FOIA "protects from disclosure information about individuals, the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy." There is no charge for this information.

The Census Bureau has published the information you requested. For your convenience, you can also access the information at http://www.census.gov/foia/foia_library/frequently_requested_records.html.

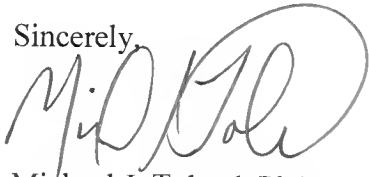
You have the right to appeal the partial denial of the request. An appeal must be received within 30 calendar days of the date of this letter by the Assistant General Counsel for Administration (Office), Room 5898-C, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230. Your appeal may also be sent by e-mail to FOIAAppeals@doc.gov or by facsimile (fax) to 202-482-2552. The appeal must include a copy of the original request, this response to the request and a statement of the reason why withheld records should be made available and why denial of the records was in error. The submission (including e-mail and fax submissions) is not complete without the required attachments. The appeal letter, the envelope, the e-mail subject line, and the fax cover sheet should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. J. Toland", with a large, stylized loop at the end.

Michael J. Toland, Ph.D.

Freedom of Information Act Officer

Chief, Freedom of Information Act and Information Branch

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